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Dear GED Applicant:

This letter is to let you know that you will need to successfully complete all five GED tests by December 31, 2001, to be eligible for a Rhode Island High School Equivalency Diploma. If you do not pass all the tests in the battery by that time, **your scores will be invalidated and you will be required to start testing again with a new series of GED Test.**

The new GED tests are scheduled for release on January 1, 2002 and will evaluate proficiencies that are not assessed on the current test battery. Because of these changes, **scores earned on the current tests cannot be combined with scores from the new test.** It is important to make these changes so that the GED tests stay close to the type of work students are being asked to perform in high schools and so that Rhode Island will continue to award a High School Equivalency Diploma based on passing the tests.

We at the Rhode Island Department of Education wish you success in working toward your Rhode Island High School Equivalency Diploma. If you need additional information, please contact Robert Mason at (401) 222-4600 ext. 1-2180.

Sincerely,

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